

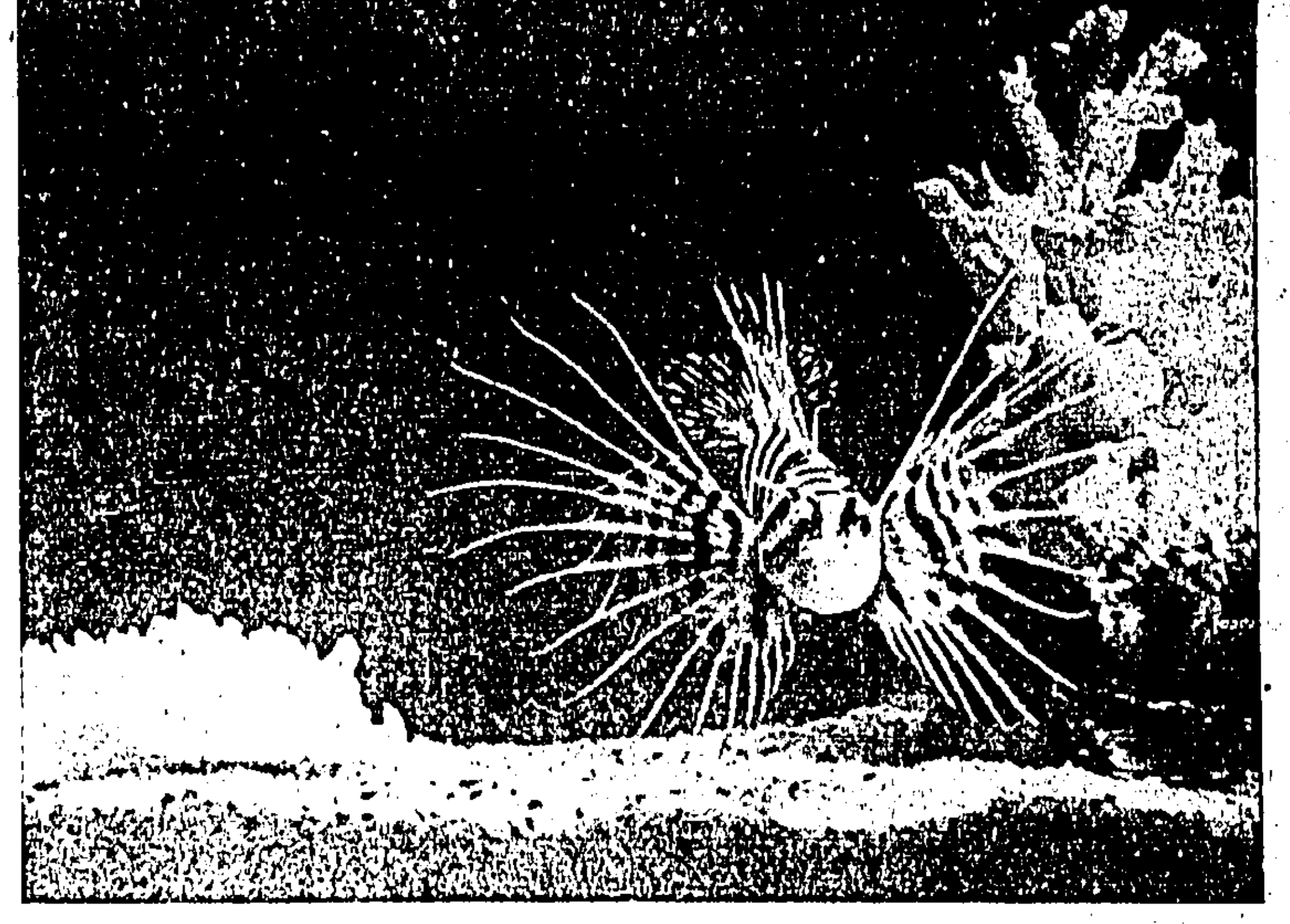
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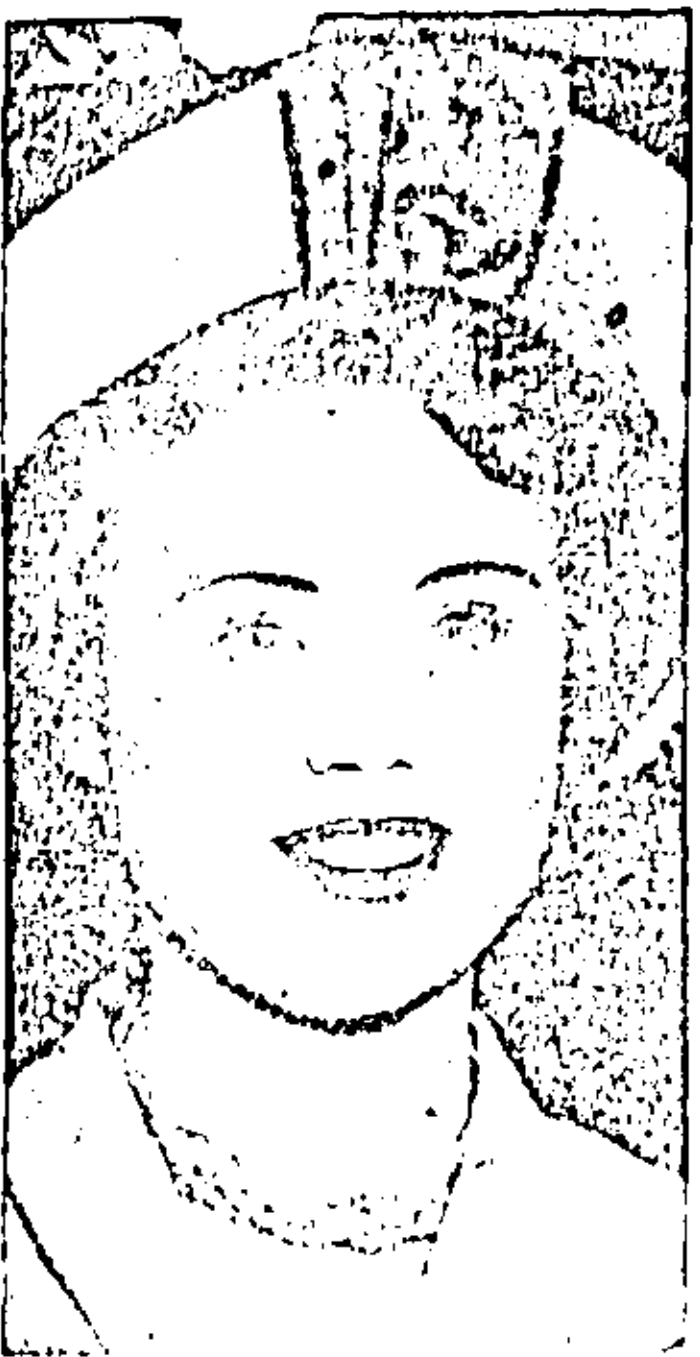
JUNIORS OF THE BALLET—Selected candidates for the Royal Danish Corps de Ballet start their training at the age of seven in a class at the Ballet School in Copenhagen.



DOWN 898 STEPS BY HAND—His sister Dolores cheers Glenn Sunby as he nears the end of his 898-step descent on his hands from the top of the Washington Monument in Washington.



TURKEY FISH—This three-inch-long rare turkey fish, so called because of coloring resembling turkey feathers, was sent to the Steinhart Aquarium, San Francisco, from Hawaii.



MISS AUSTRALIA—Miss Margaret Hughes (above), 19-year-old honey blonde from New South Wales, was recently chosen "Miss Australia" in a contest at Melbourne.



CLERICAL PAINTER—The Rev. Omer J. Chevrete works on "Peter's Denial," one of 13 frescoes he has completed for the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Fitchburg, Massachusetts.



NEW AIR CHIEF—Lord Tedder (right), who retired at the end of 1949 as Chief of the Air Staff, chats with his successor, Air Chief Marshal Sir John C. Slessor, at a Berlin Airlift testimonial dinner in London.



TO HEAD COUNCIL—James S. Lay, Jr., (above) has been nominated by President Truman to be executive secretary of the National Security Council, top defence agency.



WEAVING THROUGH COLLEGE—Richard C. Barret, World War II veteran and a senior at Middlebury College in Vermont, works at his home-made loom to help pay his way through college.



A DRIVER RIDES—Albert R. Smith, a bus driver in Washington, D. C., who builds unorthodox vehicles as a hobby, tries out his latest, a single wooden wheel with pedals.



SHAH AND SINGER—Lily Pons greets the Shah of Iran in her dressing room at the Metropolitan Opera, New York, after a performance of "Lucia di Lammermoor." She was a guest at Iran's royal palace during the war when she entertained troops.



PARIS PRESENTS—This dance dress of white tulle by Pierre Balmain is trimmed with white Val lace. A black velvet bow and sash set off the flaring ruffled bodice.



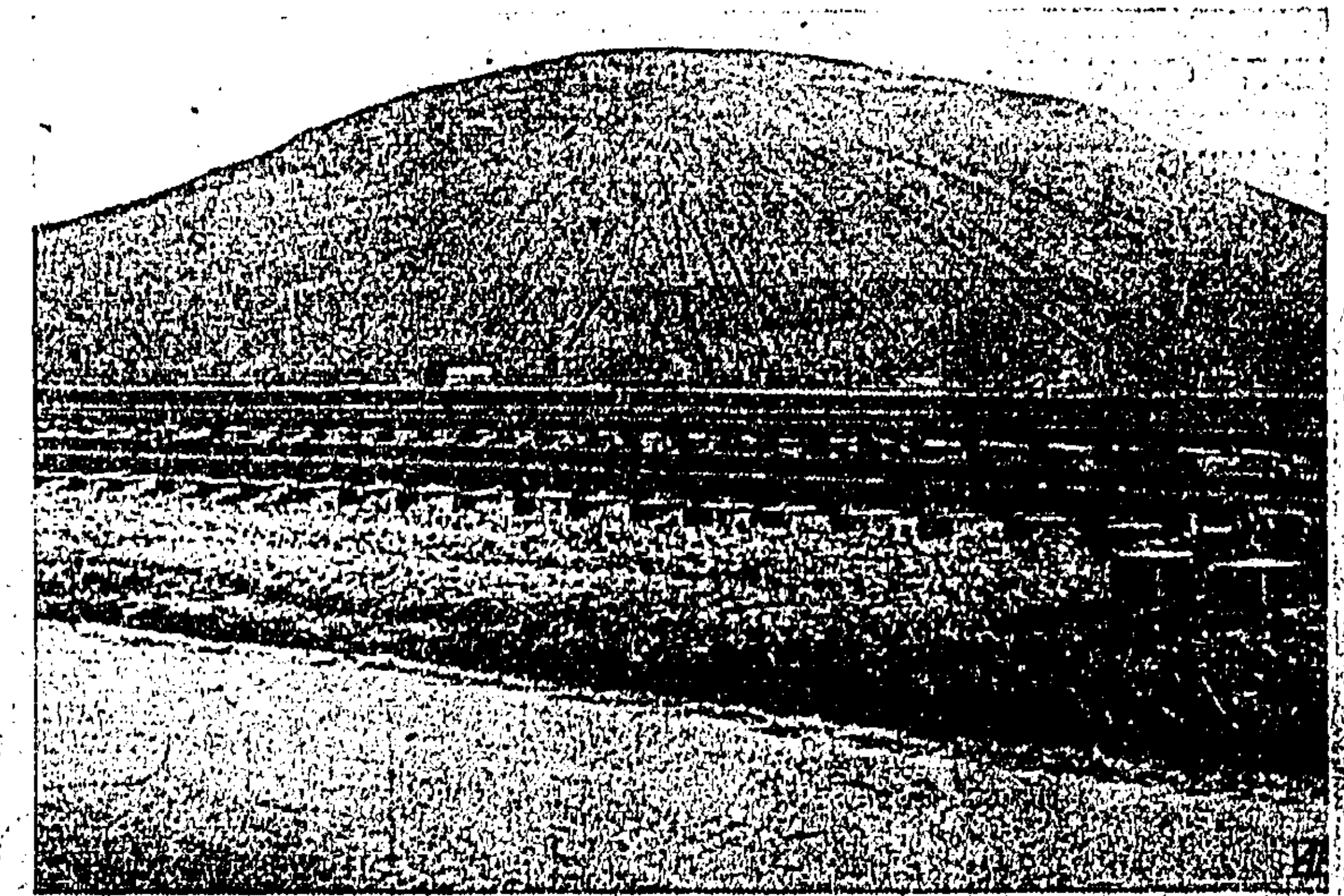
CANDY-BAR PAINTER—Six-year-old Nishida Hiroshi, who paints only when bribed with candy bars, works at his home in Tokyo, where he will hold an exhibition in the Spring.



FOUNDER'S ESCORT—Italian boys, learning trades and farming in the "Boys' Republic" near Rome, escort Judge Juvenal Marchisio of New York, a founder, along a street named in his honour.



HALF-CENTURY APART—Janet Rudolph (left) and Vera Tordy, students at Florida Southern College, wear bathing costumes of 1900 and today in a fashion show at Lakeland, Florida.



TVA COAL PILE—This coal pile at the Tennessee Valley Authority's Watts Bar Dam, Spring City, Tennessee, is estimated at 425,000 tons. TVA's total of 615,000 tons is 1.54 percent of coal in the U.S. above the ground.

Chou En-lai And Stalin Talk

BUT MAO TSE-TUNG IS NOT PRESENT!

London, Jan. 22.—Moscow radio reported tonight that Premier Josef Stalin had received the Chinese Communist Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai. The Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vishinsky, was present during the interview.

Radio Moscow added that the Communist Chinese Ambassador, Wang Chia-hsiang, also attended the meeting, but apparently Mao Tse-tung, President of the Chinese Communist regime, who has been in Moscow since December 17, negotiating a new Sino-Russian treaty, was not present.



The British actress, Grace Field, pictured at the funeral of her husband, Monty Banks. She was seen in the foreground, looking down at the casket.

BAD NEWS FOR BIG BUSINESS

Washington, Jan. 22.—President Truman unveiled his long-awaited tax plan tomorrow, reportedly with bad news for big business, some cheer for the income taxpayer and the makings of a possible Congressional revolt.

In a special message to the House, he is expected to call for cuts of about \$55,750,000,000 a year in Federal excise taxes on fur, jewelry, liquor, cigarettes, travel tickets, telephone calls and telegrams, but he will demand that the cuts be offset by a \$51,000,000,000 per year rise in taxes on corporations, estates and gifts.

Congressional sources say he will not propose raising income taxes as he did without success last year, but he is determined to find ways to keep revenue at slightly above their present level to help meet the \$5,000,000,000 deficit forecast in the budget for the fiscal year 1951.

With elections coming up next autumn, Congressmen of both parties are willing to cut excise taxes as far and perhaps further than Mr. Truman wants, but his bid for higher taxes on corporations from Republicans and Democrats alike may set off the hottest political battles of the year.—United Press.

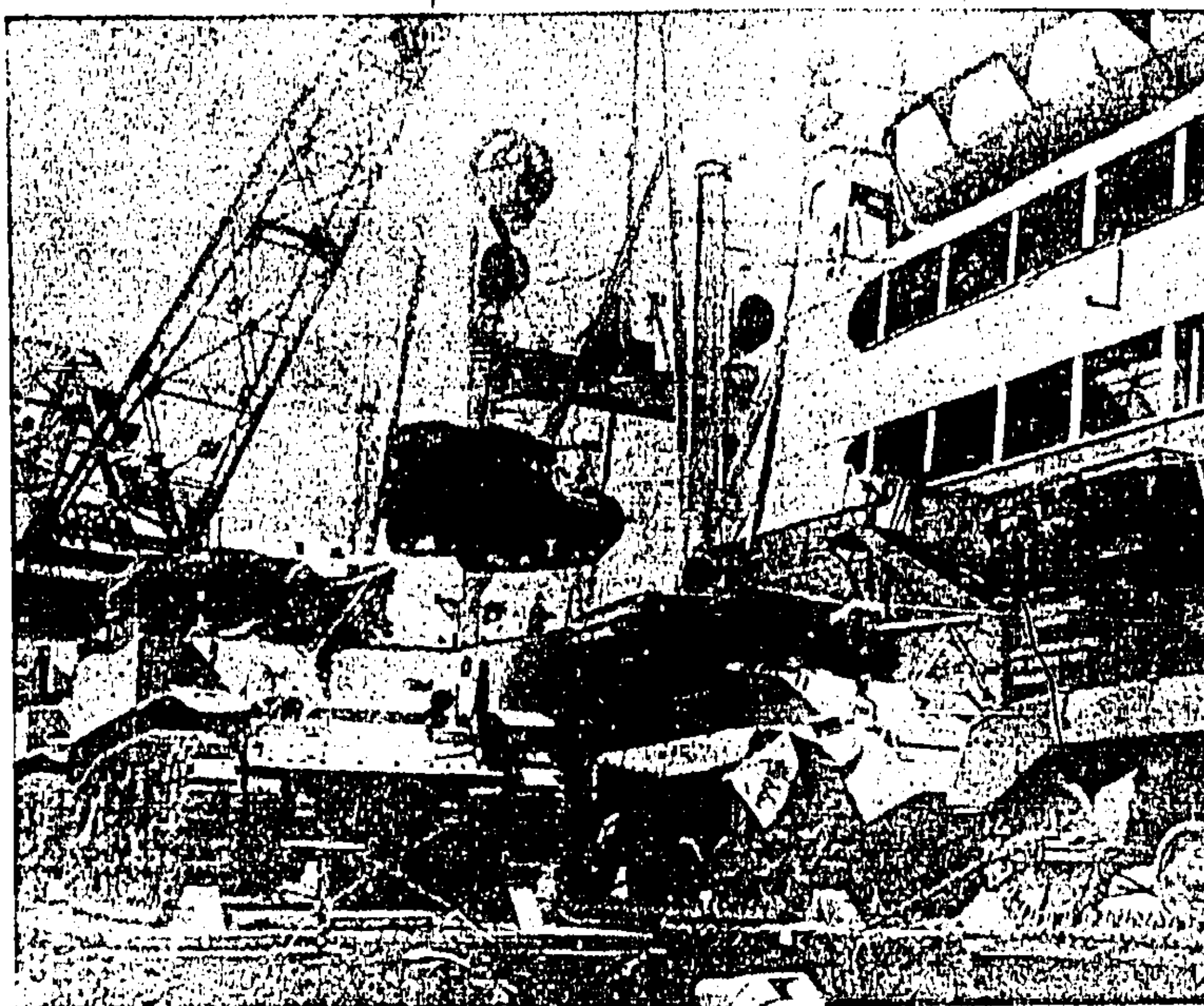
Rabbit Threat To Australia

Melbourne, Jan. 22.—The war against Australia's rabbit is being lost. Unless an all-out effort is made now to control them, great sections of the country's primary industries will be wiped out, the Secretary of the Graziers' Association of Victoria declared here.

Good seasons in the past few years had made it possible for farmers to absorb the losses caused by the pests, but with drier conditions, rabbits could deal a staggering blow to rural industries.

But the rabbit is a money earner abroad. Last year's exports of 1,168,000 was a record, but it has been broken this year. By the end of October, the figure was 2,170,000 rabbits.—Reuter.

Tanks Bound For China



Tanks at least originally intended for the Chinese Nationalists on Formosa are being loaded aboard the Turkish freighter, Mardin, at a pier in Philadelphia.

Stop Walking And Start Talking

New York, Jan. 22.—The Belgian statesman, Paul Henri Spaak, who was the first president of the United Nations General Assembly, today advised the Russians to "stop walking and start talking."

He added that the issue of the Chinese delegation, which has brought a crisis to the world organization, could be resolved much more quickly if the Soviet bloc delegates stayed to debate the matter rather than walk out of United Nations meetings at which Nationalist China was represented.

Mr. Spaak said that the United Nations should not be divided into two camps, one for the Nationalists and one for the Communists. He urged the Soviet bloc to remain in the organization and work out a solution to the Chinese problem.

He also criticized the Soviet Union for its failure to live up to its obligations under the Yalta and Potsdam agreements. He said that the Soviet Union should be more cooperative in the United Nations and should work towards a peaceful resolution of the Chinese problem.

EIGHT SLAIN IN AMBUSH

London, Jan. 22.—A British military mission in Malaya was ambushed today, resulting in the deaths of eight British soldiers and the capture of several weapons and supplies.

The mission was on its way to a strategic location in the region when it was ambushed by a large force of guerrillas. The British forces were caught off guard and suffered heavy casualties.

The British High Command has ordered a full-scale search of the region to locate the guerrillas and recover the captured equipment. The situation in Malaya remains tense.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Just look at this stack of beauty shop bills! Why, my father cut my hair till I was older than you girls!"

BRITISH SHIP SALVAGES A DERELICT

Marseilles, Jan. 22.—The 2,414-ton British freighter Gartwood today towed to Marseilles the derelict Tunisian steamer, Teruba, which she salvaged off North East Spain yesterday.

Strong detachments of police were stationed near the harbor when the Gartwood moored. She prevented reporters and photographers from approaching the ship. No explanation was given.

The Gartwood salvaged the Tunisian ship after a fire of 25 minutes transferred to the French port. The Port authorities had reported that the Teruba, which was loaded with cement, was sunk.

Discussion was going on in local maritime quarters here today concerning salvage rights on the rescue. A French tug, the Gloria, was reported to have been near the derelict at the time.—Reuter.

Hands Off Iraq-Syria Merger Plans

Washington, Jan. 22.—The State Department has instructed its diplomats in the Near East to advocate a "hands off" policy among the Governments of the region toward proposals for a merger of Syria and Iraq.

Diplomatic informants in Washington said that the merger movement was strongest in Iraq, but there was considerable opposition in Syria.

Instructions from the State Department dispatched a week ago took the line that it was for the people of Syria and Iraq to decide the question of the union of the two countries, and that other Governments, including Israel as well as Arab states, should not interfere.—Reuter.

Austrian Rise In Temper

Vienna, Jan. 22.—The Austrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Karl Gruber, said tonight "If the necessity should arise we shall be prepared to tell the world in the most energetic language that it is the firm decision of all Austrians to see this country free and liberated from occupation."

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LIBERALS' BITTERNESS DEEPENED

Sharp Reaction To Move By Mr. Churchill

London, Jan. 22.—Mr Winston Churchill, the leader of the Conservative Party, and Lord Rosebery, the National Liberal leader, today issued a joint statement advising candidates in the General Election representing both Conservatives and Liberals or Liberal Nationals to stand as "Liberal Conservatives" or "Liberal Unionists."

During the past three years, the statement said, Conservatives and Liberals, or Liberal Nationals in more than 60 constituencies had combined to pledge their support to a joint selected candidate.

The (orthodox) Liberal Party later issued a statement in reply, saying that all the 60 alliances mentioned were controlled by the Conservative Party and had no connection whatsoever with the Liberal Party.

It challenged Mr Churchill and Lord Rosebery to give the names of the local associations to which they referred. "So far as we are aware no so-called Liberal and Conservative alliances have been adopted at the time of adoption of a member of the Liberal Party," the Liberals added.

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Negotiations Break Down

Paris, Jan. 22.—The signing of a Franco-German trade agreement has been "postponed for an indefinite period," a spokesman for the French Foreign Office said today. Diplomatic circles reported that the breakdown came over the controversy involving the volume of French wheat shipments into Germany and the price of French crops. Bonn representatives may try to obtain products from other neighbouring countries at less cost.—United Press.



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